

MINUTES OF THE
EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MEETING HELD ON JULY 2, 2007
(Approved July 16, 2007)

The Board of Supervisors held a regular monthly meeting on Monday, July 2, 2007. Present for the meeting were supervisors W. Atlee Rinehart, John Doering, Jr. Robert F. Preston, and Rosemarie C. Miller. Timothy Roland was not present. Also in attendance were Peter Marshall, Interim Manager and John A. Koury, Jr., Township Solicitor.

Mr. Rinehart called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and the pledge was recited.

Mr. Doering moved to approve Resolution No. 2007-24 acknowledging Eagle Scout, James E. Koury. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mr. Rinehart then presented a framed Resolution No. 2007-24 to James E. Koury acknowledging his accomplishment.

1. MINUTES

Minutes of the June 18, 2007 Workshop Meeting

Mr. Preston moved to approved the revised submitted minutes of the June 18, 2007 workshop meeting with two amendments one under subheading, *Minutes of June 4, 2007 Workshop Meeting – Ellis Woods Park*, last bullet item change \$400.000 to \$400,000 and under subheading, *Public Comment*, in the first paragraph in the first sentence note that blasting notices 'were not' given to residents of Sawmill Road. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

John Heim of Troop 95 of the Boy Scouts presented a Scout project to the Board of Supervisors. The proposed project is to rebuild the boat dock at Towpath Park and provide new features. John noted the estimated price of the project to be \$678.41.

Mr. Preston moved to support the Eagle Scout project and all additional approvals (from the County, etc.) are to be obtained as required. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mr. Terry Dougherty of Tisa Lane was present. Mr. Dougherty noted questions he had sent the township regarding the sewer easements on Tisa Lane. The Township Manager noted he would forward the information to the Township Engineer and the Township Solicitor for review and response.

Mr. Woessner of 164 Schoolhouse Road noted concerns of the fact that his garage was noted on the sewer map but not his house. It was requested that inspector from the Township engineering firm be notified of such discrepancy and request that all residences and businesses within 150 feet of the sewer line be provided a lateral for connection to the sewer system. It was also requested the inspector provide a list of those residences and business located within 150 feet of the sewer line not previously noted.

3. REPORTS

Reports from Various Departments and Committees

There was a discussion of the Engineer's Report. It was requested that the Township Engineer provide a signed letter with engineering seal certifying the lowest bidder for the oil and chip project conforms to all requirements of Pennsylvania Act 4 in order for the lowest bidder to withdraw his bid and award the contract to the second bidder.

Mr. Preston moved to authorize the Township Engineering to proceed with the 10-Year Capital Projects Program and the monies for such project to be taken from the Capital Reserve Fund. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mr. Preston noted concerns of the detention basin at the Coventry Self Storage being filled in. Mr. Glen Kelczewski of Conner and Smith Engineering, noted the filling in of the detention basin is in accordance with the approved plans for Coventry Self-Storage.

Mr. Preston noted the volume of cars parking in the street at Coventry Glen. The Township Solicitor will check the opinion letter regarding this issue that they had supplied to the township. It was noted that a proposal for a parking study was never received from the Traffic Engineer.

Mr. Doering moved to approve the reports from the various departments and committees. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

4. SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Project: Sharp Subdivision

Applicant: Jack Sharp

Mr. Preston moved to authorize signature of the Component 1 to the Sharp Subdivision Sewage Facilities Planning Module once the Court Settlement Docket No. is affixed and attached to the Planning Module for the Sharp Subdivision. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Project: Green Acres

Applicant: Joseph and Patricia Kandler

Mr. Lawrence Sager, counsel for the applicant, and Mr. Glen Kelczewski of Conner and Smith Engineering, Inc. were present.

There was a discussion regarding sidewalks at the Green Acres site. Mr. Preston questioned why a letter has not been received by PennDot regarding their not approving sidewalks at the Green Acres site. Mr. Sager noted the permit that was issued addressed did not require sidewalks since sidewalks are a Township issue.

After much discussion, Mr. Rinehart called for a vote for a waiver from sidewalks. No response was received. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Mr. Doering moved to not approve a waiver from sidewalks at the Green Acres project site. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. Mrs. Miller, Mr. Doering and Mr. Preston voted yes. Mr. Rinehart voted no. The vote carried with a 3-1-0 vote.

Project: Heather Glen

Applicant: Heritage Building Group

Mr. Preston moved to approve Escrow Release No. 12 for Heather Glen for \$9,000.00. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Project: Coventry Glen

Applicant: Heritage Building Group

Mr. Doering moved to approve Escrow Release No. 22 for Coventry Glen for \$77,557.50. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Project: Plan Review Extensions

There was a review of the project status grid and 90-day review extensions. Mr. Preston moved to deny all plans with expiring review periods in July 2007 if an additional 90-day waiver is not received from the applicant by July 9, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Sprint Conditional Use Hearing

The Sprint Hearing began at 8:22 p.m. The Board recessed into executive session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss the Sprint Conditional use application and previous record. The hearing reconvened at 8:46 p.m.

Mr. Bradford Lare, counsel for the applicant, was present.

The Township Solicitor introduced Exhibits into the record. It was requested a full and complete copy of the Planning Commission comments be attached as an exhibit to the Sprint Conditional use hearing record and official decision. The Township Solicitor asked if there was comments from the audience.

Ms. Gail Brown, Chairperson of the East Coventry Township Historical Commission noted the January 11, 2007 response forwarded by the Historical Commission to the Board of Supervisors regarding the Sprint Conditional Use Application. It was requested a copy of such documentation be attached to the Sprint Conditional Use Hearing record and official decision.

The Township Solicitor noted Mr. Doering was absent at the January 15, 2007 hearing and Mr. Roland (not present this evening) should be given an opportunity to review the testimony from the January 15, 2007 and July 2, 2007 hearing respectively prior to participation in the official decision.

The Township Solicitor then read the Proposed Order for Application 2006-01.

Mr. Rinehart moved to orally accept the Order as read into the record. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

The official decision is to be placed on an agenda within 45 days.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

MS-4 Program

Approval of the modification to the MS4 Program updated/revised public education plan was addressed at the June 18, 2007 workshop meeting. No action was required at the July 2, 2007 Board of Supervisors meeting.

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

Chief John Theobald noted the locks were broken at Fricks Locks Village. It was suggested the Public Works Supervisor obtain double or triple locks for the village.

Discussion regarding the allocation of water payments from the Allied Recticon Settlement Escrow by meter or number of dwelling units was presented.

Mr. Preston moved to allocate water payments based upon water meters only. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mr. Preston moved to authorize the classification/wage study incorporated as a subcontract to Mr. Marshall's current contract and increase Mr. Marshall's contract for an additional \$1,620. The Board requested review of job descriptions and hierarchy prior to being incorporated into the draft or final classification / wage study. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

The letter received from High Associates regarding sewer billing requesting a reduced invoicing amount per EDU since the township was invoicing the Owner for all sewer rentals.

Mr. Preston moved to ratify and support Mr. Marshall's letter dated June 25, 2007 to Ms. Rosalie Longenecker in response to the sewer billing letter from High Associates. Mrs. Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mr. Preston noted the minutes received from South Coventry regarding the Bealer Road Bridge. Mr. Preston questioned who Mr. Kolb was representing at such meeting i.e. the Ridge Fire Company or the East Coventry Township.

A letter was received from Mr. Karl Glocker regarding ambulance service areas of responsibility. It was recommended the letter be sent to both ambulance companies requesting coordination between Goodwill and North End Companies when servicing the others area of responsibility..

Mr. Woessner noted concerns of thistle and it was stated that Code Enforcement shall send letters to violators.

Mrs. Miller questioned the fireworks tent on Route 724. Mr. Preston moved to solicit a response from the Codes Enforcement Department as to under which paragraphs the permit(s) was issued. Mr. Doering seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mr. Doering moved to ratify and accept the grant extension of the Round XVI Park Facilities and Trail Development Grant for Ellis Woods Park. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The Board recessed into executive session at 9:35 p.m. to discuss a Fricks Locks – PECO contractual issue. The monthly meeting reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

Mr. Doering moved to direct the Interim Township Manager to solicit a proposal to develop a business plan for Fricks Locks Village not to exceed \$10,000 with monies to be paid from the Capital Reserve Fund. Mr. Preston seconded the motion. The motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

The monthly meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Doering, Jr.
Township Secretary